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The love that endureth all things-

A nod is as good as a wink to the intelligent dispenser of soda water.

Some people think they need health when really they only need energy.

A man never feels thoroughly at nome at a house until he can smoke in the parlor.

Kansas is sending corn to the famine sufferers of India. England will be glad to 'ear it.

The man who is praying in earnest for a revival in his church, will make his longest prayers at home.

It is a clever man that can change another's political opinion, but a fivedollar bill will often change his vote.

The one who works the hardest receives the most blame. The idle, doing nothing, are responsible for noth-

A New York paper publishes the por-

traits of six footlights favorites of

Thursby, Christine Nilsson, Camilla Urso, Maggie Mitchell, Lotta and Minnie Hauk. A woman attending service in the Park Avenue church, Syracuse, removed her pretty spring hat, and sat with uncovered head throughout the sermon. Some of the Syracuse papers are

should be just as much of an item for public comfort as it is in the theaters. The reopening of the Panama scandal seems to produce but scanty results, after all. Of the fifty-one members of the French National Legislature who are shown by Arton's papers to have been bribed by the canal company, or, rather, to have blackmailed it, thirty have withdrawn into private life, ten are

When the Roman Catholic church in Portsmouth, Va., burned down the other day, the Baptist and Methodist churches of the city offered the homeless congregation the free use of their chapels until it could provide itself with another edifice, and three Methodist and one Episcopal clergymen called personally on the priest to express their sympathy with him and his people. This is the kind of spirit that ought to dominate in all christian

understood that the estimated revenues for the current year will be only \$150,-000,000, while the interest on the nabe spread over six years, and to be derived mainly from a new pledge of the

It is well always to bear that the powers-meaning the principal governments of the earth-are not so ridiculous as they are made to appear by the newspaper reporters who assume to read between the lines of finlomatic correspondence and lay bare the innermost thoughts of diplomatists, In endeavoring to keep informed as to the leading political events of the world it is prudent to make allowance for about one hundred per cent of error in the writings of the extremely "previous" reporters who are permitted to interpret the finesse of prime minis-

stands that Italy is on the eve of ceding to Great British the Island of Pantellaria, situated sixty miles southwest of Sicily and about half way between that island and the African coast, in exchange for the Island of Perim, off the Arabian coast, in the Strait of Bab El Mandeb and at the entrance of the Red Sea. The Island Perim is a bare rock about five miles long, on which turtle shells are taken, and used as 2 coal depot, whereas the Island of Panmiles, a population of about 7,000, produces fine fruits and has a convenient port, Oppidolo, at its northwest point. Situated almost in the middle of the main thoroughfare of the Mediterconvict depot, could be converted into of the British. Under the circumstances the Echo de Paris expresses the refuse to permit the transfer of the island referred to.

The report that the Spanish authorities in Cuba are in possession of the he United States in correspondence With its representatives in that island ha evoked an interesting denial. It is given out there in Washington that the cipher is one of the most inscrutabl of cryptograms, that the keyword changes automatically by prearrangement or may be changed at a moment'snotice, and that any one having a copy of the code would find it imto make out the meaning of

made of a Canadian who nd the newspaper in ten at "make for rightlanguage degree, practicalfourteen men to one tongue, and to rend the Bl leave some ers unread in any

Ind., has well. Of cours

La casa di Di come in kindly human to poor, the wise with the str learned with the ignorant, abiding citizen with the inc

Aldermen are no longer eafs. Oue of the city fathers of Lockport, N. Y., was this week arcested in Missouri and take

#### THE MARBLE HILL PRESS WANTS PROSPERITY.

WANAMAKER SCORES PLUTOC-HACY AND REPUBLICANS.

terrific Arraignment of the Admit tion by President Harrison's Fost Moster General—The Party Accused of a Fraud on the People.

New York special to National Demecrat: John Wanamaker delivered a sensational speech before the Busiuess Men's League in Philadelphia the other night, and little else has been talked about in political circles since. It was a bold, clear note of warning to his fellow Republicans that they must be honest or suffer everlasting

defeat. The best portion of the speech s as follows: "The country is not prosperous Since the outset of the last Presidential campaign the party, press and political leaders generally fixed the November election of 1896 as the date of the beginning of good times. A more gold than we imported, and in the full half of the year has expired since first half of the year 1892 we exported the will of the Republican party was \$33,503,542 more gold than we imdeclared. Thus far but one of the most important issues of the campaign is nearing settlement and hardly any noticeable improvement of the wretched times is manifest. The tide will soon set in strongly against the Republican party unless the depression of business is altered. Idleness and want breed bitter discontent, which will never be

twenty years ago. They are Emma overcome until there are ample employments. The foes America has to fear are not the sullen, savage Turks, nor the insurrectionists of Cuba, nor the territory grasping British, but they are our own patient and heart-tired people, our own suffering, much-promised people, who, betrayed and disheartened, no longer have faith in their party, and will turn to any leaderships that commending her highly, and say that offer promise of better times, believing the custom of removing hats in church that worse times can never come than those now existing. It is a terrible thing to observe public sentiment adrift and uncaptained and the people

who desire to keep government con-

tracts or maintain particular protec-

tion through the money by which elec-

tions are decided. There will most as-

suredly come a day when there will

be a mighty revolt and resistance, re-

purposes, speculation by public officials

ntion to make a platfe

We Must Act Alone.

To the Editor: I hand you inclosed

"Since I wrote you last I have had a

ou are to be ruined, to do something

suspect, alone and unaided

Il 1980, and in the meantime your

this means a postponement

sweeping away from their affection to the old party. The young men are growing up indifferent to Republican principles, with no respect for parties of broken platforms, who use national and state patronage in payment of election contracts. The political religion of the nation is falling lower and dead, and only eleven of the least guillower under insults to intelligence, vioty remain in politics. lation of law, reckless daring of unscrupulous bosses. There are immeasurable depths of misfortune for this nation and state if the continued use of corporation and public moneys and ronage continues to be controlled in the interest of officeholders to hold office for themselves and to benefit those

The financial necessities of Spain are evidently approaching a climax. It is tional debt is \$85,000,000. Thus, more than half of the total receipts are absorbed in interest payments. The expenditure for the year, it is true, is estimated at only \$150,000,000 also, but there is a supplementary or extraordinary budget of \$45,000,000, ostensibly to Almaden quicksilver mines and a loan

from the Tobacco monopoly. see sixty-seven counties play a state nominate candidates for office, while all the time it is one man that constitutes himself the convention, himself adopts a platform, adopts resolutions, nominates candidates himself and adjourns, it is a pitiable and discouraging spectacle; even if two generations of our people have become accustomed to this condition of things. The newspapers, with very few exceptions, and these not in the metropolitan cities of this state, have accepted the situation, and are silent in the face of the gravest issues that have ever confronted the people. It will be no ters and ambassadors. have grown upon us with the growth

The Echo de Paris says it under of years. There is no short cut across in the winter, sowing in the spring and reaping in the summer, so must the plowing and planting be done for a extract from a letter received by a St. Louis merchant from a business friend tellaria has an area of fifty-eight square of his in England. I think your readers will find it interesting. very interesting interview with Senator Wolcott at the Bristol hotel, Lonranean, Pantellaria, now an Italian don, of which I think you saw a report in a newspaper which I sent you. another of the strongly fortified stations Wolcott told me that McKinley was a most sincere and earnest bimetallist, and would do all he could to get an in hope that the powers will interfere and ternational agreement, and as I see a

commission is appointed to come to Europe and try what they can do, it seems to some extent to be true. That they will succeed is more than doubtful, and if they fall you will have to grasp the nettle yourselves and force thte world into acquiescence. Judging from the reports I read of affairs in the United States, you seem to be going from bad to worse, and there is only one cure-a currency cure. Here, on the contrary, thanks to our being a creditor nation, we are thriving on the woes of others, leaving out, of course, the dismal position of our greatest industry, agriculture. Then our great oh sent in the cipher.

naval expansion started the iron and steel trade twelve months ago, just as it did in 1890, and although the cotton and woolen trades are bad, yet our fron, steel, engineering and other staple trades are brisker than they have been for many years, so I do not look for much progress in bimetallism here until times are bad again, which perhaps won't be very long, for already there is a slight pause and that

may soon be accentuated into the old depression. The Japanese having gone upon a gold standard, although their 'yen,' a dollar, is watered down to half its weight, I, c., into a true 50cent dollar, and Russia watering down ts paper roubles in the proportion of hree papers to two gold, while very from their point of view, still adds to the strain upon gold, and in my opinion lower prices of commodities are inevitable as a logical consequence. Therefore, you, a nation of producers and exporters, will be bound, unless

til his next great opportunity comes. The elections recently held in Illinois and Ohio show what disappointment is nous remirder to McKinley of the fate of his administration if he fails in his international attempt and lets

the rings and trusts rule the roost."

The Gold Reserve. Mr. Dingley says that "in ordinary times, when confidence reigns supreme business is good and the revenues sufficient to meet all expenditures and leave a considerable surplus, there will be no run upon the treasury and necessity for holding greenbacks to protect

our reserve." Let us see if the facts entirely bear out this statement. In 1879 we had \$245,741,637 of gold in this country; this amount rose to \$705,818,855 in 1888. In 1889 we commenced to lose gold, exporting in 1889 \$49,667,427 more gold than we imported. In 1890 we exported \$4,334,179 more gold than we imported. In 1891 we exported \$68,130,087 ported. Here was a net loss of \$155,635,205 gold in three and one-half years. Now, what causes led to this enormous outflow of gold? Director Leech of the United States mint, in his report for 1891, said that this outflow of gold was caused by "heavy losses incurred by European capitalists in South America; the banks of England, France and Germany seeking to strengthen their reserves

"Russia withdrawing large quantities of gold from western Europe.

"The rate of interest being above the isual price in Europe, investments in American securities were discouraged. "The United States being the only outside source from which gold in large amounts could be rapidly with-

Since we stand in the relation of a debtor to Europe, every dollar of gold in the United States must be considered as a secondary reserve for Eu rope, liable to be drawn upon at any time that the exigencies of European finances require, regardless of the financial exigencies of our own country. We, a debtor nation, cannot safely adopt the financial system of creditor nations, who, by reason of their ability to speedily call in loans and investments from debtor nations, are always in a position to shift their financial burdens to the backs of their debtors. England, the chief creditor, is in position to call on other nations for two and a half times as much gold the disposition of federal and state pat- as there is in the world. Having, as it were, a string tied to every gold coin and bar in the world, England can safely build on a gold basis, but any debtor nation that builds on the gold basis is liable at any time to have the foundation pulled from under its financial structure. This process began with us in 1889, and still continues, to our great injury and England's profit.-Chicago Dispatch.

sulting in a revolution that will give birth to a new political party. Laws A Plan of Fusion. continually despised and disregarded. legislation conceived for blackmailing There should be fusion all along the in trust and other stocks, while tariffs 1898 The only condition should be and other financial bills are pending. that the parties thereto accept the Chimust surely and irrevocably alienate cago platform, the financial plank esthe people from their party and awaken pecially. There will undoubtedly be a disposition and desperation to substimany difficulties in the way, and for tute almost any wild and untried leadthat reason work should be begun ership with the hope of possible relief. early. It is not too early to begin From some points of view it might right now. The silver Republicans seem that there was not much to be and Populists who are favorable to the done except to suffer and walt. To Chicago platform should be treated with. They came to us in 1896 and rallied under our standard in 1896 ing more than Republicans. They this? should remain in the Republican par-

How can fusion next year best be be managed by a meeting of the national executive committees of the pareasy task to undo the shackles which ties interested. Such a convention majority in the next house of concould formulate a plan that would be gress. accepted in every congressional disthe field to victory. As next winter's trict throughout the country. In Ohio, barns are to be filled only by plowing Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin and means success in nearly every district premiums to foreign companies. crop of better methods in public af- in those states.

> Clevelandite Republican Combine How can the tariff be an issue between two great parties? The Demoduties should be imposed for revenue with incidental protection. This has been the doctrine for a century. The Republicans also hold to the principle of tariff for revenue with more than

ncidental protection. The extreme protectionists are like the extreme free traders, are few and far between. So far as the tariff is concerned there is not so much difference between a Gorman tariff and a Dingley tariff. The financial question is the great dividing line between the two parties. The Democratic party has for a hundred years held to the constitutional money, free and unlimited coinage of eliver and gold at the ration of 16 to 1. The Republican tariff in its thirty years' record of life has opposed constitutional money, and destruction of silver entirely as money of redemption. Thus we have two parer on the solution of the greatest question of the day. The Democratic party is unalterably committed to the free and unlimited coinage of silver, the money of the constitution. The Republican party is unalterably opposed

to the coinage of silver on any terms whatever. Until this silver question is settled, and settled right, no other issue can be injected that would have a tendency to divert the attention of the people from the main one. The Democratic party has put the silver question to the forefront. It challenges the hosts of plutocracy to meet it on the money issue. The Republican party, while opposed to free silver, would sooner do its fighting on some side lauve. The assistant Republicans (Clevelandites) would also like to see the issue one of tariff. Frantic efforts are now being made to push the tariff to the front. The intamous conspiracy entered into between Republicans and Clevelandites will not succeed. The Democratic party is as utterly opposed to Cleveland-ism as it is to Republicanism. Its principies have a tabernacle in the hearts or silver, and that you will have to of the people. No funta can make policies for it that do not come from the people. Cleveland found this out when he trigh to make it the tool of is will be educated, once for all, plutocracy. He quickly found himself seven mi is free meaning of the silver question and his few co-conspirators marconed that even his few co-conspirators marconed that even the party's councils, and es it maintains at the control of the co

every traitor that tries to betray the party organization into a misconce tion of issues. There is not room in already felt by the people, and it is an the party for a single admirer of Cleveland or Clevelandite infamy They must not be received into the party councils on any pretense or excuse. Let them go where they belong -National Democrat.

#### DEMOCRATIC BROADSIDES.

Are you a member of a Democratic organization? If not, join one. If there is none in your vicinity, organize one. Benton McMillan, Washington, D. C., is president of the National Association of Democratic Clubs. He will send you valuable information

The banks will have to go out of the government business. The government will not be forced out of the constitutional right to issue money.

Eternal vigilance will be the price of victory in 1898 and 1900

The people are all right on the money question. All they want is a chance to vote for free silver. Keep the gold bugs off the party committees

The constitution: Congress shall have the power to coin gold and sliver and to regulate the value thereof. The Republican party: An international congress only can regulate the value of money.

Every Democratic convention must reaffirm its allegiance to the principles of the national platform. Otherwise it is not a Democratic convention.

Keep the work of organization mov-

John Wanamaker is consistent in his note of warning to the administration when he says, "Bring on your promised prosperity or the party

The National Banker: "Nine-tenths of our business is being done on credit." That's so, and one-tenth of the people are doing it. The other ninetenths have no credit and get precious little money. Give us more money and less credit. That's what we want,

There are several national bankers in congress. But they are getting scarcer every two years. It is a notable coincidence that as their numbers decrease in congress the jails are getting a goodly share of them.

Free silver coinage is the only prosperity that will ever come.

The only value in money is the exchange value. People want money because they can exchange it for something of actual value, such as food, clothes, land, houses, rent, etc.

The constitution says that congress alone shall regulate the value of money. Yet the gold bugs defy the constitution by making contracts payable in gold, and demonetizing silver. Onesline in every congressional district in tion: Is a person who makes such a stipulation in a contract guilty of treason?

> Keep the renegades of 1890 out of the party councils.

> The person or corporation that stip ulates that payments shall be made in gold violates the spirit and the law of

when our ranks were being thinned by late value into silver." Fact: Silver deserters. We were thankful for the has fallen in value (as measured by change, and we should urge the con- gold) more than fifty per cent since tinuance of the alliance. The Silver it was demonetized in 1873. Question: Republicans and Populists are to all If value can be legislated out of a intents and purposes Democrats. The metal why can't it be legislated into Clevelandites who deserted us are noth- metal? Will some gold bug answer

About this time next year we will hear the story that "the tariff has arranged? That is the question. This | not been in force long enough to bring paper would suggest that it can best prosperity." And the Republicans will ask for another chance. Prediction: The Democrats will have a two-thirds

Why not demonetize the foreign insurance companies now growing fat at Michigan the Populists and Silver Re- the expense of the people of this counpublicans are strong. Fusion with them try? We pay \$260,000,000 a year in

Free silver coinage is a tariff of fifty per cent on foreign capital-something we can produce here. Why pay interest on foreign money when we can crats hold to the doctrine that tariff make our own by opening the mints to silver?

> Every member of every Democratic committee should know the Chicago platform by heart and be able to repeat it on every occasion.

Congress is still doing nothing.

On the postage stamps of Holland, Queen Wilhelmina is portrayed as a child of twelve, with flowing hair and a peculiar infantile expression. It is told, as illustrating her little majesty's character, that at a recent meeting of the cabinet council, she interrupted the proceedings by informing the assembled ministers that she was no longer a child, and could not understand their is squarely on record as favoring the neglect in allowing the stamps to remain unaltered. The Dutch stamps will in consequence be changed as soon ties diametrically opposed to each oth- as it is possible to do so. Wilhelmina is approaching the age when royalty deems itself old enough to marry, and it is only natural that she should de-, mand official recognition of her nearness to maturity.

China's Scientific Awakening.

It is reported that a commercial museum has just been opened at Peking to which contributions of the tools and machines used in civilized countries together with models and photographs of the same, are requested. The director of the museum is particularly desirous that his countrymen shall become familiar with the various kinds of plows used in the western world. He also calls for specimens of electric machines, printing presses, and in fact all the things that have contributed to the civilization and enlightenment of Europe and America.

The Speed of Camels. Extraordinary stories are sometime told of the speed with which camela can travel in the desert, and of their ording to recent statements there has been much exaggeration on this One writer asserts that the speed of a camel does not exceed about seven miles and a half per hour, and that even that speed is not ordinarily onger than two hours at a

### CARRYING BIG RIVER

BRING THE WATERS WHERE THEY'LL DO MOST GOOD.

le Successfully Abducted-Wonder ful Engineering Feat Performed Under Most Difficult Circumstances - Men Grew Homesick, and Stole Away.

> (Special Letter.) O MAKE a river climb its own watershed and go down a valley that it never intended to 4 seem, at first thought, to be no easier than to construct a perpetual motion machine.

But in Colorado it There, along the great continental divide, all waters on the western slope naturally find their outlet into the Gulf of California, and those on the eastern slope reach the Bulf of Mexico via the South Platte, the Platte, the Missouri, and the Mississippl. But on the western side there is an abundance of water and a scarcity of arable land, while on the eastern side good land is abundant, while the supply of water is insufficient. The atest project is to turn the upper waters of the Grande across the watershed, and along the slopes extending east. The crest of the continental diride rises into peaks 14,000 feet high ind descends into passes as low as 10,-100 feet. It thus happens that, while some of the tributaries of the Grande invethelr rise at the elevation of 11,000

for two men to chain half a mile. Along some of the line the forest is so dense that no good picture of the works can be obtained by ordinary solar photography, and at places the incline is so steep that the man with a camera can find no place to stand while taking his view.

The altitude is a great difficulty to be

encountered in the prosecution of such a piece of work. A large number of men can not do heavy work at that altitude at all. Any one with heart trouble is barred to begin with. The strongest of the men can not do more than half work at such an elevation, During the two years and more that traverse would the work was in progress the company was sending in a constant stream of men who were as constantly leaving with or without notice. A large number were physically unable to endure the work, but even those who did not get positively sick became homesick. With good wages, good board, and short hours of work they would get to brooding on their situation, to worrying about their famillies, to fancying sickness when they did not have it, be came sleepless, and rather than wait for the end of the season and be hauled wagons they would fold their blankets and kits and silently steal away on the

down comfortably in the company's seventy-five mile tramp to civilization. Two devices used for the protection of the canal deserve notice. One is to keep it from slopping over. A little spill on the lower side might speedily wash a gully that would not only empty the canal, but might soon be so much of a canyon that it would give a new engineering problem to get across it. Where the incline is so nearly perpendicular no chance of a break must be

SPILLWAY ON THE LARAMIE.

'eet or more, the Lulu pass on the con- left. Accordingly an automatic spill-

inental divide is only 19,000 feet above way is provided, so that when the

fiver can be tapped at any elevation ditch the rise of the water alone raises

eastern slope of the range. This is what the ditch is led harmlessly over it, but

It is proposed to do, the surveys have contributes water in so far as such con-

already been made and the work will tribution is needed. The method adopt-

probably be undertaken next summer. ed was to lead the stream over the

What it is planned to do with the wa- ditch. The ditch follows the side of the

ters of the Grande has already been ravine until it intersects the water-

done with the waters of the Laramie course. Then fluming is pushed back

river, which have been taken across to bed-rock in the stream's course, and

the watershed of the Medicine Bow it is made to jump the ditch. Right

range and turned into Chambers lake, over the ditch is placed a grating of

arable lands of the Poudre valley. This and driftwood do not lodge, but are

enterprise is in the same general dis- washed over without resistance, while

of that branch of the Laramie which far down the mountain side, but saves

time.

completion.

water reaches a certain height in the

a water gate and the surplus goes ca-

reening down a channel prepared for it.

The second device referred to is that

whereby a stream crossing the path of

heavy timbers so inclined that rocks

the water flows through the grating

into the ditch. This lands the debris

the precious water, or so much of it as

the canal is able to carry at a given

When, after more than two years of

work, the canal was finished in 1894, it

was found to deliver into Chamber

lake a constant flow of water of 192

cubic feet per second. The value of

this water was so great that the canal

paid for itself the first season after its

A HORSELESS CARRIAGE FACE

Awful Vienge That Will Surpass th

Bleycle Face.

The "bicycle face" will now yield the

palm to that awful visage known as the

"horseless-carriage face," in the esti-

mation of an observant correspondent

nically known as the "bleycle face.

the rider undergoes an awful change

The lines of the mouth become set,

rigid, immovable and stonily grim-

just the opposite of the sympathetic

bicycle face, in that it reflects a de-

termination that if anybody is killed

it won't be the owner of the "horse

less carriage face." There is also a look

of fear-not fear that he may run down

somebody but fear that he won't, The

eyes have a fixed and steely glare,

while over the whole saturnine face is

the impress of horror, a faint but ever-

present shadow that shows the mod-

ern moloch is impelled to pursue his

work of devastation by some potent

hellish power. Once seated on this

powerful engine of destruction, with

a firm grip on the lover, even the fair

est countenance takes on some attrib

utes of this "horseless carriage face

paid a salary of \$1 a month

The city treasurer of Joplin Mo., i

sea level. It is thus clear that if the

considerably above the height of the

Lulu pass the waters can be led craft-

lly along in sidehill ditches and ulti-

mately across the divide and down the

from which they pass down to the

trict as the one now proposed, and

serves as a model. The head waters

have been diverted come very near

having their rise in a glacier. They

start in a canyon so deep, so shaded.

and located at such an altitude, that

the snows of one winter are hardly

melted out before those of another

come. From the ridges on both sides

the winds sweep the snows into this

PART OF LARAMIE'S NEW BED.

narrow gorge until they lie 200 feet

deep or more. Solidified by pressure

and partial thawing, the mass of snow

becomes a mass of ice, and the sun has

an all summer's work before him to

convert that ice mass into water.

Water from such a source is particular-

ly valuable because it is what they call

'late water;" it comes at a time of the

year when many of the lowlands

streams are dry, and yet when water is

still needed to mature the crops. A

flow of one cubic foot per second

through the entire season is worth not

less than \$1,000, and as this branch of

the Laramie often runs 250 cubic feet

per second at the time when water is

most in demand, it will be seen that

the flow was well worth capturing. To

abduct the Laramie at this point re-

quired a ditch five miles long, circling

about the two sides of the Medicine

Bow range, which it crosses at altitude

of 8,500. For three-fifths of the dis-

tance the side hill along which the

ditch was led was so nearly vertical

that the material excavated could not

be held to form the lower bank of the

ditch without crib work. In surveying

the route the ordinary clinometers had

to be discarded, and the common sur-

veyor's "loving rod" had to be extend-ed to an instrument thirty feet high. The way was so broken and difficult and he timber in places so dense that

ft often made there, as it has since on

the Grande, a very hard day's work OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

SOME GOOD JOKES, ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

Henry Contract A Wise Youth-The Ghost Spoke Up-Carrying Out Instructions-Flotsam and Jetsam from



"and may I ask
"and may I ask
The summers
you have seen?"
And blushing red,
she glanced at And faltered, "Just sixteen."

"Ah! bashful little "Ah! bashful little country lass, No beaux you have, I ween." And coyly then she glanced at me,

"O, yes, sir. just sixteen." "Sweet one," I cried, "I fain would

press
A kiss thy lips between;
A kiss thy lips between;
Pray tell, may I have one or two?"
She giggled, "Just sixteen."
\_E. P. B. The Corpse Spoke Up.

One of the most useful functionaries of the Long Island college hospital in Brooklyn is "Billy," the janitor. Attendance at clinics and operations for many years has given the ancient servitor some acquaintance with practical surgery.

In an emergency he has been known to perform operations himself. But with all his acquired science "Billy" is

still superstitious. In the operating room the other day he was engaged in removing from pine coffins some "new material" that had just been received from the morgue. As he was opening the lid a sepulchral voice seemed to come from the interior of the coffin and say: "Let me out, Let me out."

The janitor dropped his hammer and ran in terror from the room. He said he had seen an eye move as the words

were uttered It was only after "Billy" had deliberately considered the number of students in the apartment and the slim chance any ordinary ghost would have in the presence of so many living men that he would consent to return. 'Sure.I never thought that a corpse

so cold as that would be talking so manlike. I should suppose he would be dead," said the fanitor. "Billy" does not know that Student Hall and his chum were ventriloquists



"Mamma, do fat people angels?" "Why, yes, my dear." "Well, won't God have lots of fun

teaching Aunt Susan to fly?" Carrying Out Instructions. There was a young man whose soal education had been somewhat neglected, and it chanced that he received an invitation to a church wedding, The morning of the ceremony found him quite excited, and he started for the church some time before, as he would have said, "the show was billed

to come off.' Under his arm he carried a small bundle, and before he had proceeded far he met a friend,

"Hello," said the friend, "and where are you going all dressed up at this time in the morning?" "Wedding," answered the young man

briefly and proudly. "Indeed? Going to do some errands on the way?" "Certainly not."

"But you are not going to a wedding with a bundle under your arm?" "Of course I am. That's my present.

"Present! But you don't take your resent with you, man. You send it beforehand." "That's all you know about it. I've got a card right here in my pocket, and the card says: 'Present at the church," "-Boston Budget.

Nothing New. "They are making a great fuss in the papers about horseless carriages," said one Brooklyn papa to another, who met while wheeling their bables. "Just as if they were something new!" chuckled he other, as the two men separated .-

Harper's Bazar. An Attractive Offer. "Harold," said Harold's rich uncle. if you will only stop smoking cigarettes I'll begin smoking them myself, and shorten my life by at least ten



Mother-Why don't you go out and play with the little girls? Peggie-I think it would be safer to play with boys.—New York Ledger.

A Force of Habit Clutch The drowning man clutched frantically at the straw.

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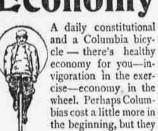
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